

TITLE: Master Paramedic

FD-EMS/23

DEPARTMENT: Fire-EMS, Fayette County

JOB SUMMARY: This position is responsible for various firefighting, advanced level emergency medical care, and customer service related activities.

MAJOR DUTIES:

- o Responds to calls involving emergency medical, fire, and hazmat incidents; responds to non-emergency service calls to assist the public; takes appropriate actions to minimize the loss of life and property.
- o Assesses patients and triage findings to provide rapid and appropriate care.
- o Provides medical intervention; stabilizes injuries; administers appropriate drugs; utilizes EMS equipment.
- o Transports patients to appropriate facilities.
- o Rescues entrapped individuals using appropriate tools and equipment.
- o Documents and records patient information and treatment.
- o Inspects and maintains ambulance and related equipment.
- o Extinguishes fires; locates and rescues victims; protects property from damage.
- o Assesses health hazards.
- o Drives fire apparatus to scenes.
- o Operates and maintains all equipment, including pumps, saws, hand tools, and generators.
- o Maintains fire hydrants.
- o Provides community education for fire safety and prevention.
- o Maintains supply inventory.
- o Maintains station facilities.
- o Completes patient care records, billing information sheets, and incident reports.
- o Performs other related duties as assigned.

KNOWLEDGE REQUIRED BY THE POSITION:

- o Knowledge of advanced principles, practices, and techniques of fire, EMS, EMA, and public safety agencies,
- o Knowledge of county government policies and procedures.
- o Knowledge of county geography, streets, roads, and buildings.
- o Knowledge of emergency medical protocols, procedures, tools, equipment and apparatus.
- o Skill in the provision of high end advanced level critical care in the field of emergency medical care.
- o Skill in the operation of job related vehicles, equipment, and tools.
- o Skill in planning, directing, and supervising the work of subordinate personnel.

SUPERVISORY CONTROLS: The Fire Officer, Captain or Lieutenant, assigns work in terms of general instructions. The supervisor spot-checks completed work for compliance with procedures, accuracy, and the nature and propriety of the final results.

GUIDELINES: Guidelines include county policies and procedures; departmental policies and procedures; local, state, and federal laws; medical protocols and standing orders; NFPA standards; building and fire codes; and county ordinances. These guidelines require judgment, selection, and interpretation in application.

COMPLEXITY: The work consists of varied firefighting and emergency medical duties. Potentially life threatening situations contribute to the complexity of the position.

SCOPE AND EFFECT: The purpose of this position is to participate in the operations of an assigned shift of station personnel in the provision of fire and emergency medical services. Success in this position contributes to the safety and well being of county residents.

PERSONAL CONTACTS: Contacts are typically with co-workers, law enforcement personnel, health care professionals, representatives of other emergency response agencies, and members of the general public.

PURPOSE OF CONTACTS: Contacts are typically to give or exchange information, resolve problems and provide services.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS: The work is performed while intermittently sitting, standing, bending, crouching, climbing stairs, stooping all while dressed in PPE and could be carrying additional equipment. The employee occasionally lifts light and heavy objects including medical patients, climbs ladders up to 100+ feet in height, and uses tools or equipment requiring a high degree of dexterity.

WORK ENVIRONMENT: The work is typically performed in an office, stockroom, outdoors, and at the scene of emergency incidents. The employee may be exposed to noise, dust, dirt, grease, machinery with moving parts, contagious or infectious diseases, irritating chemicals, and occasional cold or inclement weather. The work requires the use of protective devices such as masks, goggles, gloves, and all protective clothing associated with Fire and EMS operations.

SUPERVISORY AND MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITY: This position has functional supervision over assigned personnel at incident scenes.

SPECIAL CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSES: Possession of a valid State of Georgia driver's license (Class B) and a satisfactory Motor Vehicle Record (MVR) in compliance with County Safety and Loss Control Guidelines. Completion of the State of Georgia Department of Transportation Defensive Driving Course and/or Emergency Vehicle Operation Certification within twelve (12) months of employment.

ADA COMPLIANCE: Fayette County is an Equal Opportunity Employer. ADA requires the County to provide reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with disabilities. Prospective and current employees are invited to discuss accommodations.

HIPAA COMPLIANCE: The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, as amended, requires employees to protect the security of Protected Health Information (PHI) however it is obtained, handled, learned, heard or viewed in the course of their work.

DRUG AND ALCOHOL COMPLIANCE: In accordance of Fayette County's Substance Abuse Policy of 1996, as amended, all job applicants offered employment will undergo testing for the presence of illegal drugs and alcohol as a condition of employment. In the course of employment, employees are subject to random, reasonable suspicion, post accident and routine fitness for duty testing for illegal drugs and alcohol abuse. Employees are prohibited to work under the influence, to possess, to distribute or to sell illegal drugs in the work place or abuse alcohol on the job. Confirmed positive is reason for denial of employment and/or termination.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- o Knowledge and level of competency commonly associated with completion of specialized training in the field of Fire and EMS, in addition to basic skills typically associated with a high school education or GED.

- o Ability to understand the basic principles relevant to the major duties of the position after completing advanced level medical training.
- o Possession of a valid driver's licenses issued by the State of Georgia for the type of vehicle or equipment operated.
- o Meets current requirements set forth by the National Fire Protection Association as a Firefighter 2 and meet the Georgia Firefighter Standards and Training Act.
- o Possession of State of Ga. Paramedic license and possesses and maintains National Registry certification as a Paramedic.
- o Current certification as a Critical Care Paramedic
- o Associates degree in related field.